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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Toru MATAMA

IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS

Assignee: FU

FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.

Our Ref:

Q77927

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/276,759 (Confirmation No. 2562) filed March 26, 1999 of Toru MATAMA entitled IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, the above-noted application incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is forty (40) pages of the specification, including the claims and abstract, five (5) sheets of drawings (Figures 1-6C) and a Preliminary Amendment. Also enclosed is a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application, a copy of the Assignment, and an Information Disclosure Statement along with PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) (substitute for PTO Form 1449) listing references cited by the Applicant and/or the Examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2615.

Priority is claimed from:

Country Application No Filing Date

JAPAN 10-080910 March 27, 1998

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/276,759. Receipt of the certified copy of the priority document was acknowledged in parent Application No. 09/276,759.





CONTINUATION OF U.S. APPLICATION NO. 09/276,759 ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. Q77927

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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